UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 6

1445 ROSS AVENUE, SUITE 1200 DALLAS, TX 75202-2733



January 9, 1997

HERCULES REAL ESTATE CORP ROBERT H MILLIS 11011 RICHMOND AVE 5TE 500 HOUSTON, TX 77042-

Dear Permittee:

This letter is being written to you because you have a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Baseline Industrial permit. Permittees subject to monitoring requirements pursuant to Parts VI.E.2.(a) and (d) are required to report their sami-annual monitoring analysis on Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) by January 28, 1996. Permittees subject to monitoring requirements pursuant to Parts VI.B.2.(b),(a), and (f) are to report monitoring analysis on DMRs by April 28, 1996. Permittees subject to monitoring requirements pursuant to Parts VI.B.2.(c) were to have reported their monitoring analysis on DMRs by October 28th.

A second purpose for writing you is to remind Baseline Industrial permitees that your permit expires on midnight September 9, 1997. You will need to make arrangements to continue NPDES permit coverage for your industrial activity under another permit. Currently, the only other general permit available is the NPDES Multi-Sector storm water permit. You may obtain copies of the Multi-Sector storm water permit by phoning (202)260-7786 or on the Internet (see below). To switch from Baseline Industrial permit coverage to Multi-Sector permit coverage, complete the Notice of Termination (NOT) form for the Baseline Industrial permit and fill out the Notice of Intent (NOI) application form for the Multi-Sector permit. Both forms are anclosed with this letter. Be sure to return them together. You will be legally covered by the Multi-Sector permit 48 hours after the postmark of a correct and complete NOI. It is recommended that you send the application certified mail so you can prove when you sent it and that EPA received it. If you have questions about the Multi-Sector storm water permit, you can phone the Multi-Sector storm water hot line at (800)245-6510.

If you wish to report violations of the Clean Water Act (e.g., someone who does not have a permit or someone that does have a permit, but they do not have a storm water pollution prevention plan), you may contact me at (214)665-7112. Unpermitted facilities are subject to civil penalties of \$25,000 per day per violation and permitted facilities violating their permit are subject to \$10,000 per day per violation. If you have questions about the NFDES permitting program, you can phone Mr. Lowell Seaton at (214)665-8304.

The following information comes from your NPDES permit application. Please verify that the following information is correct. This information will also assist you in completing an NOI for the Multi-Sector permit. If there are any errors, please contact the NOI Processing Center at (703)931-3230 or phone EPA Permits at (202)260-9541.

Sincerely,

Taylor M. Sharpe . Environmental Engineer

Compliance Assurance and Enforcement Division

NPDES FORM



United States Environmental Protection Agency Wasterngton, DC 20450

Notice of Intent (NOI) for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity Under a NPDES General Permit

immission of this Notice of intent constitutes hopes that the party identified in Section II of this form intends to be authorized by a NPDES permit issued for committee discharges associated with industrial activity in the State identified in Section III of this form. Becoming a permittee obligates such discharger to comply with the terms and conditions of the permit. ALL NECESSARY INFORMATION MUST BE PROVIDED ON THIS FORM.

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January 29, 1997

Hercules Real Estate Corp Robert H Millis 11011 Richmond Ave Ste 500 Houston, Tx 77042-

Re: NPDES Permit No. TXR00F487

Dear Permittee:

The purpose of this letter is to clarify and expand upon a January 9, 1997, letter sent to you by Mr. Taylor Sharpe of the EPA Region 6 Compliance Assurance and Enforcement Division. The second paragraph of that letter indicated that you will need to make arrangements to continue NPDES permit coverage for your industrial activity under another permit. It also implied that you should immediately submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) for coverage under the multi-sector storm water general permit issued September 29, 1995, and terminate your coverage under the baseline general permit. PLEASE NOTE that this information does not include all permitting options that may be available to you by the time your permit expires.

You do not need to take any action at this time to change your coverage under EPA's storm water baseline general permit. You may remain covered by the baseline permit until September 9, 1997, with no further action on your part. In addition, if EPA has not reissued or replaced the permit by September 9, 1997, Part VII.B. of the baseline permit allows you to remain covered after the expiration date by submitting a new Notice of Intent between August 1, 1997, and September 9, 1997.

You do have a second option. Part 11.A.6. of the multi-sector storm water general permit allows most facilities previously covered by the baseline permit to switch coverage to the multi-sector permit between June 13, 1997, and September 9, 1997. Facilities eligible for multi-sector permit coverage may switch to this newer permit (which is effective through September 2000) by filing a Notice of Intent for the newer permit.

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EPA is currently considering options in regard to the expiring baseline general permit. However, no final decisions have yet been made. Any action on the baseline general permit will go through EPA's normal permit notification and public comment period, at which time you will have the opportunity to provide input into this process. We do expect to begin action on this within the next two months and anticipate final action prior to September 9, 1997.

If, in response to the January 9th letter, you have already submitted a Notice of Intent to switch coverage to the multi-sector permit, you have two options. You may either withdraw the Notice of Intent and cancel the Notice of Termination you submitted, or do nothing and allow the switch to the multi-sector permit to take effect. You can get information on the storm water program and the multi-sector permit, including electronic copies of the permit, 24 hours a day from EPA's PIPES bulletin board, accessible via the Internet at http://pipes.ehsg.saic.com/storm.htm or modem (703-749-9216). Information on the baseline general permit, including blank discharge monitoring report forms, is available from EPA Region 6's Storm Water Page at:

http://www.epa.gov/earthlr6/6en/w/sw/home.htm

We regret and apologize for any confusion or inconvenience you may have experienced. For further information, please contact Mr. Sharpe at 214-665-7112, or the Region 6 Storm Water Hotline at 800-245-6510.

Sincerely Yours

Jack V. Ferguson, P.E.

NPDES Permits Branch

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Chief

Water Enforcement Branch